

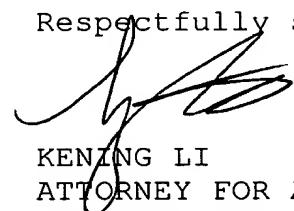
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40. The chimeric gene of Claim 39, wherein the chimeric gene is an expression vector.
 41. A method for altering the level of a histidine biosynthetic polypeptide expression in a host cell, the method comprising:
 - (a) Transforming a host cell with the chimeric gene of claim 39; and
 - (b) Growing the transformed cell in step (a) under conditions suitable for the expression of the chimeric gene. --
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Remarks

Applicants respectfully submit that the amendment to the Specification only corrects obvious typographical errors. Furthermore, applicants submit that newly added claims more clearly and distinct recite that which applicants consider to be their invention, and are adequately supported by the original disclosure. For example, the Clustal method of alignment is described at page 23, line 17 et seq.

No new matter is believed to be at issue. Entry of the amendments and early favorable consideration of the claims on the merits are hereby respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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